1853 and 1854, did me the honor to subscribe for one hundred and ninety copies of each of the four volumes of the Maryland Chancery Decisions, by Chancellor Johnson, upon the pledges made by me to the Legislature, that the work should be performed in a manner to meet the Chancellor's approbation; and upon my exclusive responsibility.

The entire work having been completed, and the volumes delivered to the State, I beg leave to lay before the Legislature the following communication from the late Chancellor Johnson, approving the work, and respectfully ask that it may be received and entered upon the Journal of the House of Delegates.

JAMES WINGATE.

Annapolis, 9th Sept., 1854.

To JAMES WINGATE, Esq.

At your request, I cheerfully say, that the reporting and publishing the four volumes of Maryland Chancery Decisions, have been performed in a very satisfactory manner, and that the proofsheets of a portion of the work were examined by myself.

I am pleased to learn from you, as publisher, that your enterprise has been successful.

Respectfully your ob't serv't,

J. JOHNSON.

The Secretary of the Senate returned

The bill entitled, an act making appropriations for the support of the Government for the year ending January 1st, 1858;

Endorsed "passed by yeas and nays, with proposed amendments;"

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

After the word "dollars," in the 28th line of 1st section, insert "to the State Agricultural Chemist two thousand dollars;"

Sec. 1, 14th line, strike out, after the word "dollars," "for the use of the Insane Asylum, ten thousand dollars;"

The question being,

"Will the House assent to the first amendment?"

The year and nays were demanded, and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Speaker, Plowden,

Scott, Miller, Jarrett, Silver,